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Assistant Commissioner of Patents
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Washington, D.C., 20231

Dear Sir,

This letter is in reference to USPTO 'Application number 10/056,662' with 'Filing Receipt Date 1/23/02' and 'First Named Applicant Daniel J. Benedict'.

Regarding my correspondence of 5/23/02: 'Response to Formalities Letter Confirmation No. 9818' due April 26, 2002 extended to May 26, 2002 by payment and acceptance of the fee for a one month extension to reply.

Please note the error in my correspondence of 5/23/02 regarding the dates of the Memorial Day weekend.

~~However, please note that 5/26/02 falls on a Saturday and Holiday weekend and that the US Post Offices are closed on Saturday, 5/26/02, Sunday 5/27/02 and also closed on Monday 5/28/02 (Memorial Day). Therefore, the date as shown in the date in box on the "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" label will reflect 5/29/02, the first date that the US Post Office is open after 5/25/02.~~

The text above should have read:

However, please note that 5/26/02 falls on a Sunday and Holiday weekend and that the US Post Offices are closed on Saturday, 5/25/02, Sunday 5/26/02 and also closed on Monday 5/27/02 (Memorial Day). Therefore, the date as shown in the date in box on the "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" label will reflect 5/28/02, the first date that the US Post Office is open after 5/24/02.

Therefore the response is timely pursuant to Patent Rule 37 1.10, Patent Rule 37 1.6(2) and Patent Rule 37 1.7(a)

Find enclosed a copy of the "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" mail label regarding the response to 'Response to Formalities Letter Confirmation No. 9818' due April 26, 2002 extended to May 26, 2002.

Please disregard the clerical error in my correspondence of 5/23/02.

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